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SUBJECT: FAA SECTION 32 - POLITICAL PRISONERS

REF: STATE 150955, LAGOS 3132

1. EMBASSY BELIEVES WOULD BE COUNTER PRODUCTIVE TO SUBMIT TEXT OF
FAA SECTION 32 TO FMG. ISSUE INVOLVED IS SENSITIVE ONE IN NIGERIAN
CONTEXT, BEING RELATED TO PERSONS DETAINED AS RESULT OF THEIR
ACTIVITIES DURING JANUARY 1966 COUP AND CIVIL WAR.

2. AS INDICATED IN LAGOS 3132, DETAINEES HELD BY FMG ARE NOT
POLITICAL PRISONERS IN SENSE OF SECTION 32; NOR ARE THEY CONSIDERED
AS SUCH BY FMG. SUBMISSION OF TEXT OF SECTION TO FMG, IRRESPECTIVE
OF REASON GIVEN, WOULD BE TAKEN TO IMPLY THAT THIRTY OFFICERS
CURRENTLY UNDER DETENTION WERE IN FACT POLITICAL PRISONERS, AND
U. S. WOULD BE ACCUSED OF INTERFERING IN INTERNAL NIGERIAN AFFAIRS
AND THREATENING FMG WITH REPRISAL IF DETAINEES WERE NOT RELEASED.
EMBASSY CONCLUDES SUBMISSION OF TEXT OF SECTION 32 WOULD BE
COUNTERPRODUCTIVE AND COULD HAVE HARMFUL EFFECT ON U.S. -NIGERIAN
RELATIONS.
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